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Los Angeles Colony Celebrates its 100th Anniversary









Governor's Message

Dear Members:

I hope each and every one of you had a glorious holiday season and are launching into the new year with gusto. November saw your state Governor visiting the Los Angeles Colony. In lieu of the tradition Compact Day, they celebrated the Centennial Anniversary of their colony. I arrived at the airport, caught a cab to downtown Los Angeles where the protestors were marching hundreds strong. The taxi driver could not get through the marchers nor the blocked off streets so I exited the cab and had a nice walk through downtown Los Angeles to arrive at the Los Angeles Athletic



Mayflower Gov. Pat Friesen & new member Becka Stair Gill w/ Gail Raser at LA Colony

Club for the celebration. It was nice to meet and visit with the many members who were my applicants. It was a pleasure to attend this meeting.

My plan of attending as many of the colony meetings as possible this past year has been interrupted by a situation with our Oakland office and library. Our lease is up January 31 and the building has been under new ownership for several months. With the aid of other Society members, I have been investigating alternatives to our present location. You will be hearing more of this later.

Myrtle Savage, Ken Whittemore and Jane Ordway Carman have been appointed to the nominating committee for the next term. Please contact one of them if you are interested in holding a position either on our board of assistants or on a committee. Our membership meeting will be held in Carlsbad June 16 and 17, 2017 where the new

board members will be elected and installed. Lea Filson, the Governor General, will be the speaker. Please try to attend this most important meeting. Details will be forthcoming.

This is also the year to be thinking about attending Congress in Plymouth in September which only comes up every three years. This is the opportunity to socialize with your fellow members throughout the country, visit the library and participate in your Society. It is not too soon to start making plans.

Enjoy 2017 and I hope to see you at the June membership meeting if not sooner.

Patricia M. Friesen California Society Governor

Cover Story: The Los Angeles Colony celebrates 100 years as a colony. Story and pictures begin on page 17.

Deputy Governor South

My trip to Ventura for the Rancho Conejo Colony meeting was very eventful. I met new prospective members, enjoyed re-acquainting myself with current members and was graciously hosted by Bob Dempster, colony governor, and his lovely wife. I am happy I was able to attend all the south-



ern colonies' meetings in the period of one year. Not an easy feat trying to coordinate all the different dates in a large geographical area! I love talking with our members and enjoy the way each colony conducts meetings. One disappointment was being out of town the weekend of the LA colony's anniversary celebration. Please see the announcement elsewhere in this newsletter regarding our next state membership meeting in June in Carlsbad. We hope people take the opportunity to enjoy the wonderful attractions in the Carlsbad/San Diego area. Luckily Gail Raser, event coordinator extraordinaire and Kathleen Loftman, another wonderful event coordinator both of San Diego county, are on our planning committee. It will be a great opportunity to perhaps bring the whole family to Legoland and/or San Diego Zoo to name only a few of

the attractions in the area. Start planning now. We need your support and input into the workings of the state society.

In October I presented my Children of the Mayflower program to **Las Buenas Amigas**, a Dana Point-based volunteer philanthropic organization. The group gave me a generous donation for our state society as did the Southern CA Genealogical Society when Erica Hahn and I did a Mayflower lineage workshop at their headquarters in Burbank. Thanks to Erica for coordinating this event. I wish our Mayflower families all the best in 2017.

Marcia Huntley Maloney Deputy Governor South

Deputy Governor North



Jane Ordway Carman Deputy Governor North

California Mayflower 2017 Officer Nominations

Note, if you would like to serve or know someone who would consider serving in a state officer position, please contact members of the nominating committee Ken Whittemore at kenwhittemore@gmail.com or Jane Ordway Carman at ancestorsunlimited@yahoo.com Please respond prior to March 1, 2017.

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Be sure to notify our State Membership Chairperson: Judy Weaver at: mayflower@ourfolks.com. She will notify your governor and everyone else who needs to know. This will enable you to receive your California Mayflower, Mayflower Quarterly and other mailings in a timely fashion.

California Mayflower

Next deadline: April 1st 2017. Send all text and photo submissions to Ray and Gail at: camayflowereditor@gmail.com

Submissions to the California Mayflower Quarterly must be in digital format, either in the body of an email or as a Microsoft Word document attachment. Queries relevant to Mayflower families will be published pending space availability. PLEASE limit them to 75 words. Include your membership number and contact information.

NOTE the deadlines: They will remain the same year after year. Submissions prior to the deadlines are always appreciated.

Spring issue April 1st 2017
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CA Mayflower Board of Assistants 2016-17 Meeting Schedule

21 January 2017: North 18 March 2017: South

June 16, 17 2017: Board of Assistants & Membership Meeting - South

All dates are subject to change if necessary

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The 2017 GSMD Historical Sites Tour is fully booked. Stand-by reservations may be taken in event of cancellations. Contact: plymouthtravel@aol.com

New Members Elected December 2016

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CA # 9084 G # 90470 Coby J Turner 15th from William Brewster

Inland Empire Colony

CA#9089 G#90519 Cheryl Ralston 12th from John Howland

CA 9096 G#90575 Lusylvia Jane Prewett 12th from Edward Fuller

Los Angeles Colony

CA 9095 G#90574 Alexander Arpad Ladanyi 12th from Francis Cooke

CA#10003 G#90620 Amanda Macy Jaeger 13th from John Howland

CA10013, G#90751 Christine Swanson 14th from William Brewster

Mother Lode Colony

CA#10005 G#90622 Deborah Ruth Sweeney 13th from Myles Standish

CA # 9092 Gen # 90546 George Reginald Sutton II 12th from Thomas Rogers

CA 9094 G#90573 John Kraft 13th from William Bradford

CA 9088 G#90518 Margaret Pearson-Juarez 13th from Francis Cooke

CA 10010, G#90689 Richard Allan Loveall 12th from William Brewster CA #9022 G #89584 Roberta Anne Wagner Mattle 12th from Thomas Rogers

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CA #9086, G#90,493 Charlotte L. Lynch 11th from Edward Fuller

CA 10006 G#90646 Dr. Richard E. Schutz 11th from John Alden

CA9085, G#90471 James G. Wenk 11th from Edward Doty

CA10004, G#90621 Robert R. Reisdorf 10th from William Bradford

CA10014, G#90787 Scot Allen Trodick 12th from Love Brewster

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CA#9091 G#90545 Bridgeman H. Carney 11th from Stephen Hopkins

CA#10011 G#90718 Helen Frances (Harper) Carney 10th from Stephen Hopkins

Redwood Empire Colony

San Diego Colony

CA9098 G#90515 Nicole Jeanne Bednorz 13th from William Bradford

San Francisco Colony

CA 10012, G#90735 Alexandra (Bellis) Dromelow 11th from John Alden



Santa Barbara Colony

CA#9099 G#90616 Aurora G. Garrison 14th from Stephen Hopkins

CA#10000 G#90617 Gavin S. Garrison 14th from Stephen Hopkins

CA#9087 G#90517 Miss Janet Cornish 13th from Stephen Hopkins

CA#10001 G#90618 Summer E. Garrison 14th from Stephen Hopkins

Sequoia Colony

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CA 10007, G#90655 Elaine Ann (Manter) Gifford 12th from Isaac Allerton

CA 9093 G#90547 Elizabeth Tribby 11th from William Radford

CA 9090, G#90520 Jane Lee Shroyer 14th from William Brewster

CA10009, G#90688 Paul C. Hepfer 14th from William Brewster

CA#10002 G#90619 Stephen W. Hopkins 12th from Stephen Hopkins

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Mother Bay Colony

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Redwood Empire Colony

William Everett Talmage CA 9020 12th from STEPHEN HOPKINS

San Joaquin Valley Colony

Donald Merle Hoyt CA7822 12th from JOHN ALDEN

James Edward Hodges CA8949 13th from RICHARD WARREN

Santa Barbara/Mother Lode

Charles Michael Chester CA 7732 11th from RICHARD WARREN



Los Angeles Colony

Audrey Herman Fritzke - October 21, 2016

Orange County Colony

James Lewis – December 14, 2014

Redwood Empire Colony:

Robby Burt – October 30, 2016 Ruth Youngquist – November 17, 2016

Colony Unknown

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Gertrude Roxanne Schweitzerhof Smith – June 6, 2016

On a happier note, we are pleased to report that the death of Orange County member John Bullard Irish was mistakenly reported in the last issue of the California Mayflower Quarterly. He is very much alive!

State News

Junior Membership Secretary

We have 19 new juniors this quarter. And I just finished sending the yearly Thanksgiving/ Compact Day postcard to the junior and junior life members, some 454 cards. Alas, after I have mailed them, two sponsors contacted me to give me address changes. If you sponsor a junior, it is better to send in those address changes before the postcards are mailed.

Now what is the picture? It is the Huntington Library of the Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens in San Marino California, which has the second largest collection of manuscripts in the United States.

What library has more? The Library of Congress. Our Huntington library has millions of documents including an original Gutenberg Bible, two original copies of the Magna Carta, an original American Declaration of Independence, original letters written by one A. Lincoln. There is nothing like it elsewhere in the United States. And our juniors and their families are invited for a personal guided tour of the library on Monday February 20, 2017. That is the Presidents Day holiday. There is also in one of the art galleries an excellent exhibit of artifacts from colonial America.



After that you are free to visit Blue Boy in the art collection and roam the amazing gardens. Our guests will be responsible for admission charges to the Huntington. Let Erica know how many in your group are coming. My email is ericalishahn@yahoo.com

Education/Scholarship Secretary Report

Alert! March 1, 2017 Deadline For Mayflower Scholarships

California Mayflower Society Scholarships

Three scholarships--\$5,000, \$3000 and \$2,000--available to high school seniors who are descended from a member of the California Mayflower Society. Information and application materials online at https://www.mayflowersociety.com/Scholarships.html.

General Society of Mayflower Descendants Scholarships

Four scholarships--\$6,000, \$4,000, \$3000 and \$2,000--available to high school seniors directly descended from a member of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants. Information and application materials online at https://www.themayflowersociety.org/news-events/scholarships.

Make sure all eligible high school seniors in your family know about these opportunities they have as Mayflower descendants.

Sally Johnson

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Redwood Empire Colony

The Redwood Empire colony winter meeting will be held on February 18, 2017 at Cattlemen's Restaurant in Petaluma. Our speaker is Chaplain and Reverend Edgar Welty. His topic Is "God and America's Early History." At this meeting we will choose a nominating committee to prepare a slate of officers to serve the colony from fall 2017 through summer 2019.

Sally Johnson Redwood Empire Colony, Governor



Alameda Colony

On October 15th, the Alameda Colony met at Scott's Seafood in Walnut Creek for our fall luncheon. Deputy Governor Bob Trapp led the meeting. Our speaker was Dani Renan, who is an Attorney, an Environmental Hydrogeologist/Geochemist, and a Health & Safety instructor, with a degree and a passion for history. While studying in Jerusalem, he worked as a medic and tour guide

(mainly for the university). Currently he spends time trying to write (and answer online questions) on the history and International Law especially in the Middle East, and the often intersecting Environmental (or lack thereof) policies. Mr. Renan's talk focused on some of the differences between the Pilgrims and Puritans of early Massachusetts. On November 19th, the Alameda Colony hosted our annual Compact Day at Scot's Seafood in Oakland's Jack London Square, with over 80 members from the Alameda, San Francisco and Redwood Empire colonies attending. Our luncheon provided either the traditional Thanksgiving turkey meal or a broiled Salmon entrée.

Our speaker was Melinda Gould, who shared both her multi-year story of finding Samuel Gould, her 3rd great-grandfather and of his amazing life. Samuel was born during the Revolutionary War, was the oldest man in the Mormon Brigade, came to California in the 1849 Gold Rush, and



Melinda Gould



died just months after the Transcontinental Railroad was completed. She also shared a short discussion about trying to prove her research through DNA. Colony representatives also shared news regarding each colony, with the luncheon adjourned at 2:00pm.

> Larry R. Youngman Alameda Colony, Governor

San Francisco Peninsula Colony

We observed Compact Day on Saturday, November 19, 2016, in our annual joint meeting of three Bay Area colonies. Host this year was Alameda colony at Scott's Restaurant, Jack London Square, Oakland. A traditional turkey dinner was the favorite choice although delicious salmon was an option. In spite of the rain that day, the waterfront setting was ideal.

Our next colony meeting will be on Saturday, January 28, 2017, at Delancey Street Restaurant on the Embarcadero in San Francisco. The guest speaker will be local author Adrian Covert who will share his new book "Taverns of the American Revolution: The Battles, Booze and Barrooms of the Revolutionary War". I'm hoping there will be assigned homework.

James A. Ingwalson San Francisco Peninsula Colony, Governor

Rancho Conejo Colony

The Rancho Conejo Colony had our last meeting for 2016 on November 12th, at the Marie Callender restaurant in Ventura. With 34 members and guests in attendance we properly recognized our heritage as represented by the historic Mayflower Compact. A beautiful copy of the "compact", suitable for framing, was distributed to all in attendance. The document bore representative signatures for each of the 41 pilgrims who signed the original off Provincetown in 1620. Everyone read the Mayflower Compact in unison, including ye style of the day. Coming shortly after the tumultuous general election earlier in the week, we joined in the singing of "God Bless America". A larger version of the famous compact will be displayed in the genealogy section of the Thousand Oaks library, a gift from our colony. The roll call indicated 14 Mayflower passengers were represented. We were honored to have as a guest, our Ass't. Gov.,South, Marcia Maloney. We welcomed our newest member, Bridge Carney, and his mother Frances, now a perspective, as well as 6 other perspectives. God speed on the journey ahead for these future members.

The colony commissioned a Mayflower pendant, which is now available for \$ 25. These are made in New Hampshire, and come in a Mayflower "Pink" box. We brought 15 to the meeting, which were quickly sold. We will offer this pewter medallion to other society members, as part of our effort to supplement a scholarship fund. With the thankful approval of grants to colonies to fund the purchase of Mayflower related books, we have formed a committee to identify the titles we will offer free to school libraries. Working with the Conejo Unified School District, we will create a list of appropriate books. As public schools are more and more inclined to minimize the historic contribution of our pilgrim fore-bearers, this is critical to the mission of the Society. We have done a magnificent job of providing reference material to various public libraries, especially with the "silver" books. Now it's time to shift our focus to educating young people on the Mayflower story.

During the month of November, our governor had a busy schedule, speaking to seven different groups about the Thanksgiving message and the Mayflower, including Rotary clubs, senior centers and church groups, that's a lot of chicken. During the month of



November the colony had access to a large display case at the Thousand Oaks library which we filled with Mayflower related ephemera. Before lunch, our member Charles Lombard read the story of the "Five Kernels of Corn", and everyone received a complimentary copy of the legend, including five kernels of corn, happy planting. We'd be happy to provide this to anyone who asks. Following lunch, our Ass't. Gov. Helen Wyers presented a program on "Colonial Crimes and Punishment". They were a rather intolerant lot, and the punishment would hardly be acceptable today, violating our constitutional right from cruel and unusual punishment, although I'm sure we all know a person of two, who should spend a day in the stocks or get a good whipping. Our next meeting will be Feb. 25th, 2017 at Los Robles Greens, Thousand Oaks, featuring a program on DNA.

Robert Dempster Rancho Conejo Colony, Governor

Monterey Bay Colony

Members and guests overflowed at our Compact Meeting on 5 November 2016, which was held at the Monterey Peninsula County Club Beach House at Pebble Beach. Our Secretary Nancy Valencia and Junior Member Taryn Mills were in charge of the Roll Call of Ancestor. Our business meeting included discussion of the Mayflower II news, information about Diane Stone and Ester Lindsey's wonderful books which are being donated to some of the schools in Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz and South Santa Clara Counties, and the Monterey Peninsula College Scholarship for a history major recipient which has been coordinated by Cynthia Colby former Governor. Newly elected officers included Verona Flint as Governor and Mark Washburn as Chaplain. Secretary Nancy Valencia and Treasurer Mona Berman are remaining in their respective Board positions. We are still working on someone for the position of Deputy/Vice Governor. A traditional and delicious Thanksgiving meal was enjoyed and was followed by our guest speaker, Carol Ann Pearson, with her topic title being, "Raising The Sails". Part of her presentation encompassed some of her written compositions and inspirational messages.

Attending members Betty Lou Lawrence, Mark Washburn, Chris Tittle, Marilyn Riehl, and Maurice Gardner were acknowledged and thanked for their devotion to our Colony and for being former officers over the years, as well as Diane Stone for arranging our program speakers for the past two years.

Monterey Bay Colony is enthusiastically looking forward to hearing Charlie and Pat Kieffer's power point presentation about the "Anza Expedition" at our February Meeting.

Verona Flint Monterey Bay Colony, Governor

Inland Empire Colony

The November 12, 2016 meeting was held at Bob's Big Boy restaurant in Calimesa, California. Governor, Rick Clark welcomed members and guests, and had each attendee introduce themselves and name their Mayflower ancestor. The group recited the Mayflower Compact, and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. After Elder, Shirley Lader gave the opening prayer, and Grace for lunch, the group was served a special turkey dinner in celebration of Thanksgiving. The Mayflower Moment was presented by Linda Close who spoke on her ancestor, Isaac Allerton, who served as the colony's business agent in London, traveling back and forth to handle the colony's business interests. He came on the Mayflower with his wife and 3 children. "The King Phillip's War" was the subject of the speaker, Nancy Kilburn. She gave a very interesting power point program about the armed conflict between the Native Americans and the colonists, beginning in 1675.

A Nominating Committee was named to select officers for the new term, which starts in February 2017. The slate was presented as follows: Governor, Beverly Nickerson, Deputy Governor, Linda Close, Treasurer, Wayne Staples, Membership Secretary, Nancy Schlachter and Elder, Shirley Lader. The Recording Secretary position is not yet filled. A vote was taken, and the slate was accepted as presented. The meeting was adjourned by Governor, Rick Clark, at 2:10 P.M. who wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

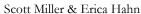
Pat Rainier Acting Secretary, Inland Empire Colony

Orange County Colony

The Orange County Colony enjoyed a fabulous Compact Day celebration November 19, 2016. Scott Miller, assistant governor did a wonderful job of planning the event and past Governor Erica Hahn provided an excellent presentation on the six generations from the Mayflower to the Revolution. All members were provided with a pink bracelet stamped with a reminder of the 400 - year celebration approaching in 2020. We asked all members to wear the bracelets to encourage discussion about the Pilgrims and our heritage. The day was enjoyed by all. Our next event will be held February 25, 2017. Donna Cole will speak on the Pilgrim Women's Pocketbook. We are all looking forward to spending time together.

The new OC Colony website is up and running. We are enrolling our members in the members only portion of the site. The site will continue to be expanded over the next few months.







Parade of Pilgrims

Susan Astarita
Orange County Colony, Governor

Santa Barbara Colony

Santa Barbara Colony eagerly awaits our 50th anniversary meeting. We will celebrate at the High Sierra located at 521 Firestone Rd., Santa Barbara, CA 93111. Mark your calendar for Saturday, May 20th at 11am. Our speaker will be Joe Bracato. He proved a rousing patriotic presentation a few meetings ago so we asked him to come back and inspire us again!. We will welcome new members and elect our new officers at this fun packed meeting! Come join us!

In April, 2016 we thoroughly enjoyed Dr. John R. Johnson, Curator of Anthropology at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. He spoke of local Chumash history and we invited a Chumash woman as a guest and she was able to identify many of the people in Dr. Johnson's slide show! Deputy Governor, Ray Garrett, has outdone himself with finding amazing speakers for our programs!

In January 2017 prospective members will meet with our Past Colony Governor, Tami Wilkening and our Chaplain, Peggy Homer for a workshop. We hope to assist them through the process of being members. For more information and to RSVP for our 50th Anniversary event contact Colony Governor, Ruth Jackson at jxnruth@hotmail.com or (805) 451-1313.

Ruth Jackson Santa Barbara Colony, Governor

San Joaquin Valley Colony

The San Joaquin Valley Colony gathered for our compact luncheon on November 5, 2016 at Andiamo Italiano Ristorante in Clovis. We had 16 members and guests in attendance for an afternoon filled with fun and fellowship. After lunch, we were treated to a great program by Professor Stephen K. Tootle who is an Associate Professor of History at the College of the Sequoias in Visalia. Professor Tootle spoke on the Puritans and the Massachusetts Bay Colony. He explained the basic differences between the Pilgrims and the Puritans and the lasting legacy of the Puritans on our form of government. The American Revolutionaries were descendants of the Puritans. They believed in the rule of law, were very industrious, and did not believe in royal titles. The concept of American exceptionalism comes from our Puritan roots.

We concluded our meeting by reciting the pilgrim pledge. Our next meeting will be February 4, 2017 at the San Joaquin Gardens in Professor Stephen K. Tootlea Fresno. Roger Howland will be our guest speaker and the program will be about the French and Indian War.

Cindi Valenzuela San Joaquin Valley Colony, Secretary

Sequoia Colony

The Sequoia Colony held its Compact Day meeting on November 12, 2016 at the Menlo Circus Club. 51 members RSVP'd to enjoy each other's company and learn about Benjamin Franklin from speaker Jeff Moore. Past governors Patsy Fish and Louise DeDera joined us as well as new



members Georgia Masiewicz (Francis Cooke) and Katherine Howland Jordan (John Howland).

Georgia helped lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance; Katherine assisted by reading the Mayflower Compact. We also heard from at least six veterans who rose and stated their branch of service. During their introductions we also learned that one of them had just had a birthday. Happy 90th to Robert Gardner!

Lunch began with a heartfelt and timely blessing by Elder Jo Beth Folger. After lunch we

welcomed Jonathan Dickey as our new Treasurer and promoted the open Historian position to our members. No takers so far! The General and State Mayflower scholarships promotion was also distributed and discussed. During the Ancestral Roll Call we discovered we had 68 lines represented!

Sequoia Colony's next meeting will be March 11, 2017 at the Menlo Circus Club. This will be a joint meeting with the San Francisco Colony.

Dawn Newman Sequoia Colony, Governor

San Diego Colony

The San Diego Colony Compact meeting was held on November 18, 2016 at MCAS Miramar Marine Corps Officer's Club. Governor Ray Raser greeted and announced that it was 396 years ago that the Pilgrims signed the Mayflower Compact. Colony member Bill Smith gave a power point presentation on the Mayflower Compact and the history of the first Thanksgiving. New member Judy Morgan was welcomed and Kathleen Loftman gave a report on the 2020 Committee. There previously had been a 20/20 Planning meeting at the home of Chairperson Kathy Loftman.

Governor Raser gave a special recognition to all the Veterans present and thanked them for their service to our country. Norma Wohlfarth led the reading of the "Five Kernels of Corn", and Elder General Kenneth Whittemore delivered grace for our meal. Our next meeting will be February 18, 2017 at the Green Dragon Tavern and Museum in Carlsbad. It will be a buffet breakfast meeting combined with the San Diego Sons of the American Revolution. There will be an interactive program on "Saints and Strangers". All Mayflower Colonies are welcome to attend. Reservations are required along with your payment of \$24.00 per person.

Contact mayflowersandiego@gmail.com for more information on reservations.



Governor Ray Raser welcomes new member Judy Morgon along with membership chairperson Anita Guenin



Assistant Gov. Budd Leef presents certificate of appreciation to speaker William Smith



Mayflower junior member in pilgrim dress granddaughter of Dana Hydrick



Prospective members Ellen Fancy and Kathleen Winchester with colony secretary Kathy Loftman and CA Captain Rich Bailey

Ray Raser San Diego Colony, Governor

The Los Angles Colony of Mayflower Bescendants

In the State of California



November 12, 2016 Centennial Anniversary meeting at The Los Angels Athletic Club 431 West 7th Street, Los Angeles Program

Los Angeles Mayflower Colony Celebrates 100 Years of Service

It was an honor to be present at the 100th Anniversary celebration of the Los Angeles Mayflower Colony. The Los Angeles Athletic Club was an appropriate site as it is a beautifully restored building with history of its own. We were greeted with beautiful

LA Colony Governor Franklin Smith

After a break for lunch, Rev Dr. Gary K. Clark was introduced as the guest speaker. He is the president of the Sons of the Revolution and spoke on "The history of the printing of the Declaration of Independence." The singing of "America the Beautiful" sung by Constance Dunn and reading of the Pilgrim Pledge were completed prior to the benediction and adjournment.

harp music and the options to purchase merchandise of the Los Angeles Colony. Members from the CA Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard presented the Colors. Governor Franklin Smith presided over the event with Captain Constance Dunn leading the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation by Deborah Clayton. Former California Governor and colony member June Lazich read the Mayflower Compact while Cal Cahoon read the pilgrim roll call. A brief history of the Los Angeles Colony was presented by Gov. Smith. California Governor Pat Friesen was greeted as a special guest.



SAR Color Guard: Robert Taylor, James Gill, Karl Jacobs, Jim Olds





Harpist Zoe Godfrey



Franklin Smith and Susan Cairns

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On November 12th 2016 the Los Angeles Colony of Mayflower Descendants 100 year celebration was held at the Los Angeles Athletic Club in downtown Los Angeles. A block away, Pershing Square (formerly Central Park) had been named by third Los Angeles Colony Governor Orra



Lt Col Holdridge Ozro Collins

Eugene Monnette when he was Chairman of the Victory Memorial Committee in 1918. Two blocks away, and two years earlier (1916) the founding of the Southern Division (Los Angeles Colony) of Mayflower Descendants in the State of California took place during the rising tensions of World War 1.

At that time, the streets still had dwindling numbers of horse drawn buggies, whereas today the age of the robotic automobile is sweeping the country. In 1916 telephones where just becoming common in big cities where today cell phones with video conferencing, GPS, Wi-Fi, and artificial intelligence are becoming standard equipment. On Aug 15th 1914 the Panama Canal opened up and while some Mayflower Descendants where working hard to prepare San Pedro for a huge influx of commercial traffic, others were fearful that massive numbers of war refugees would use the canal to flood into Southern California. In recent years tens of millions of immigrants have entered the

United States, many of them illegally living in Southern California.

On November 25th 1916 (the day of the first meeting) the United States had seen the sinking of the Lusitania the year before, and was only a few months away from entering the war. My mother's father (an Italian immigrant) would soon be drafted in Colorado and shipped to Camp Kearny near San Diego where the 40th Sunshine division was founded, and later shipped to France where he

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June my paternal great grandfather Charles Isaac Smith an engineer (descended from Stephen Hopkins and Thomas Rogers) was given credentials by the US Secretary of state to board ship in San Francisco and sail to Russia by way of Japan

to build a railroad near Petrograd. Just as he arrived the Bolshevik revolution started and the job was canceled. The Los Angeles Colony owes its founding to Lt Col Holdridge Ozro Collins who became a member of the California Board of Assistants, and requested having meetings in Los Angeles for all of Southern California back in 1916. He is a descendant of William Bradford. His office and the headquarters for the Mayflower Society in Southern California was

in the newly built San Fernando building at 400 South Main Street which is today cattycorner to the Ronald Regan State building. In the year 2000 the building was remodeled into lofts, and glass fronted restaurants with outdoor street dining. You can clearly see city hall just a few blocks down the street. When Col. Collins moved to Los Angeles he founded branches the sons of the revolution in 1893, and the society of colonial wars in 1895, and was a member of the Society of the War of 1812

He was also a member of the Society of Descendants of Colonial Governors, The Society of Knights Templar, and a fellow, Secretary, Chairman, editor of the Bulletin of the Southern Califor-

nia Academy of Sciences which is now the Natural History Museum in Exposition Park. On December 17th 1910 as secretary he put together a large Time Capsule in a sealed copper box in the corner stone of the Museum while it was under construction. Today 107 years later the time capsule remains unopened.

In 1898 almost a decade before the California Mayflower Society was founded Col Collins received a letter with a piece of stone from his good friend Fredrick H Rindge who was one of the wealthiest men on the West Coast and owned all of Malibu from the original Spanish land grant. The stone had been a gift from Massachusetts Senator Davis of Plymouth to Rindge. It was a chip of Plymouth Rock when it had been moved to the center of town. Col Collins had the chip made into two rings for his daughters. One had a ruby imbedded in it and the other a diamond. The following letter is from the Collins family records.



Col Collins was a very unusual person having received his commission in the Illinois militia and helping to convert it into a National Guard unit in 1879. He was originally born in Cayuga Count



NY. He was a Harvard graduate and helped start the Harvard club in Los Angeles. Col Collins was a highly successful attorney with many friends in the political and judicial world. In fact there are touches of mystery concerning world events he may have played a role in. One mystery is when he went on a two year cruise around the world from 1912 to 1914 aboard The S.S. Minnesota which stopped in many ports including the Philippines, Japan, and China. He did not carry a regular passport. In his papers is a United States Congressional credential giving him diplomatic status with a complete description of his physical appearance and identity. Why would he need this for a simple voyage? Most people don't know that a certain Homer Lea of Los Angeles was preparing to overthrow the Imperial Chinese Government and install Dr Sun Yat-sen as the first Democratic President of China in 1912. This is the same year Col Collins visited China. Previous to this the Los Angeles Harvard club had

Hosted President Teddy Roosevelt who was an old College friend of Fredrick Rindge. I believe this is where Homer Lea was introduced to Roosevelt and given the go ahead. I have been studying Lt General Homer Lea for over twenty years. Lea was training Chinese volunteers smuggled into private military academies across the country including Chinatown in Los Angeles. After graduating they were shipped back to China where they joined the army and orchestrated a bloodless coup. There is a great deal more to say, but it will have to wait until I have finished the book.



Donald Lynch (co-authored "Titanic, An Illustrated History), Bob albert and Curtis Jones Jr.



Cal Cahoon and Wife Deanne Homuth, Joe and Cindy Svezia



Susan Daniels, June Lazich, Donna Cole, Franklin Smith, Rev Dr. Gary Clark



CA Gov. Pat Friesen, Gail Raser, Jan Dougall



LA Colony Chaplain, Deborah Clayton



Mr. & Mrs. Mark Cross



Speaker Rev Dr. Gary K. Clark and Colony Captain Constance Dunn



Mr. and Mrs. Kisvarday enjoying the day



San Diego Colony Gov. Ray Raser presents a certificate to Franklin Smith



The San Diego Colony was originally part of the Los Angeles Colony before San Diego was chartered in 1949.



June Lazich, Donna Cole, Dr. Gary Clark and Dr. J Boyce

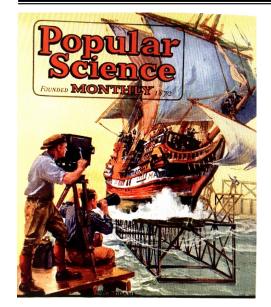


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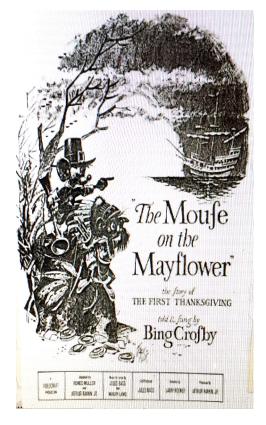
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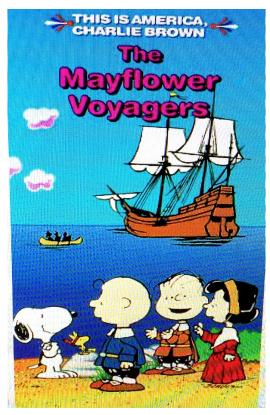
Los Angles Colony Past Governors Centennial Roll

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Holdridge Ozro Collins	William Bradford	1916 - 1927
Arthur Cooke Davis	William Brewster	1927 - 1930
Orra Eugene Monnette	Samuel & Edward Fuller	1930 - 1933
Frederick Ingleby Richman	John Alden	1933 - 1937
Alfred Lee Lathrop	Richard Warren	1937 - 1938
Col. Dr. Sidney Vernon Kibby		1939 - 1942
George Cossitt White		1942 - 1944
Col. Andrew J. Copp II *		1945 - 1947
James Herey Dennison	John Howland	1947 - 1948
Wycliff Taylor *	Henry Samson, James Chilton	1949-1951
Kimpton Ellis		1952 - 1953
Lt. Col James Westerfield		1954 - 1955
James E. Blythe Gentry	John Alden	1955 - 1957
Allen Stelle		1957 - 1959
Earl David Meramble	Stephen Hopkins	1959 - 1962
C. Richard Stanton *		1962 - 1964
Marion Ellen Smith Clancy	Edward Doty	1964 - 1966
Dwight Sanford Cushman*	Isaac Allerton	1967 -1968
	Richard Warren	
Dr. Raymond Howland Davis	John Howland	1968 - 1970
Donald E. Pringle	William Bradford	1970 - 1972
Richard Elrich Coe	William Bradford, Edward Doty,	1972 - 1975
	Stephen Hopkins, John Ho	owland,
	Degory Preist, George Soule, John 7	Tilley
Adm. Benton Aldrich Robbins*	Isaac Allerton	1975 - 1977
Ralph W. Johnson	John Howland	1977 - 1979
Vernon Boyd Jones	John Howland	1979 - 1981
Dr. Harold E. Camp	William Bradford	1981 – 1983
Mrs. Alta Hamilton	Stephen Hopkins	1983 - 1985
Dr. Donald Butler Ward	William Brewster, William Bradford	d,
	John Alden, Stephen Hopkins	1985 - 1987
	Richard Warren, Thomas Rogers	
Col. Norman E. Howe	Samuel Fuller	1987 - 1990
Col. George Arthur Eckert Jr.	William White	1990 - 1992
Susan Babbit Cairns	John Howland	1993 - 1995
Donald E. Johnson		1995 - 1999
Greg Anderson	James Chilton, Francis Cooke	1999 - 2003
Calvin (Cal) Cahoon	Stephen Hopkins, John Howland	2003 - 2007
Franklin Earl Smith III	Stephen Hopkins, Thomas Rogers	2007 -
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Jim Blauer's "Mayflower Compact"

It all began back in the early 1980s. Jim was watching TV one afternoon when he came upon a show on channel 50 (A PBS Station) that featured Ken Brown showing the audience how to do calligraphy. Jim watched this for several weeks and eventually went out and found a calligraphy set

with a booklet that showed how to make the letters.

In the Fall of 1983 Jim was accepted into the Mayflower Society and became a member of the Orange County Colony. He decided he wanted to do something with his calligraphy and settled on doing a rendition of the Mayflower Compact. He had a pad of blank Newspaper print paper he had gotten from his next door neighbor. He decided that given the time period, Gothic would be better than Italic. So he got out a page and started measuring and drawing lines down the page. He then began to do the calligraphy.

Unfortunately when you make a mistake in calligraphy there is no erasing or correcting it. You have to start all over again. This happened several times before Jim got it finished. Once the Compact was finished it remained to place the names on the compact. Jim did not want all the names to look the same. All the renditions he found all the names were in block or italic letterIn ye name of God Amen. We whose names are underwritten, the loyall subjects of our dread soveraigne Lord King James, by ye grace of God, of Great Britaine, franc, & Ireland hing, defender of ye faith, &c.

Boweing underlaten, for ye glorie of God, and advancemente of ye Christian faith and honour of our time & countrie, a vogage to plant ye first colonie in ye Mortherne parts of Tirginia, doe by these presents solemnly & mutualy in ye presence of God, and one of another, covenant, & combine ourselves togeather into a Civill body politicit; for our better ordering, & preservation & furtherance of ye ends aforesaid; and by vertue hereof to emacle, constitute and frame such just & equall Lawes, ordinances, Ads, constitutions & offices from time to time, as shall be thought most meete & convenient for ye generall good of ye colonie: unto which we promise all due submission and obedience. In witnes whereof we have hereunder subscribed our names at Cape Todd ye — II — of Movember, in ye year of ye raigne of our soveraigne Lord King James of England, firance & Ireland ye eighteenth, and of Scotland ye fiftie fourth. Ano Dom. 1620. The May lower Compact

John Billington

Dom. 1620.

ing. So he decided to search the names of the signers and find their signature. Here he found there was a problem. There were only about 3-5 signatures that were known of any of the Pilgrims. This created a dilemma for Jim as he did not want them all to be the same. I the Spring of 1984, Jim approach newly installed Governor Gene Nelson and asked for her opinion on the signatures. She suggested that we charge \$5.00 for members to sign for their ancestor or in proxy for those who did not have descendants.

This is what was done and over the next two years he was able to complete the Compact with all different signatures. Now it was time to make copies. He went to Kinkos copy center near his home and they were able to get the Ivory Gold parchment and created as many 18 x 24 inch copies as he needed for his colony's Gift Table. These were sold for \$5.00 a piece.

By the 1990s Jim decided he needed to shrink the compact to 8 1/2 x 11 for easier display and transport. This he did and was able to sell them for just \$1.00. Things went along at a normal pace when in 2013 or 2014 when Bruce MacGunnigle was still Governor General Jim received one of the new brochures. He read it over and when he got to the back page, he found his Mayflower Compact!!! He wrote back to the Governor General who had sent out the mailing and thanked him for using his Compact in the Brochure.

Jim was contacted via email from a lady in charge of doing the brochures and she said they had been trying to find him as they wanted to know who created this rendition of the Mayflower Compact.

She also mentioned she had found it on a couple of websites including one from North Carolina. Jim realized that this had to be from him selling them to members at Congress in Plymouth where he has a table of the Orange County merchandise for sale.



In recent years Jim had been on the emailing list of Dee Solomon from Watford Village in England. This is the village where Thomas Rogers of the Mayflower was born and raised. Having heard from Dee in late August/early September of this year(2016), Dee had placed the website address for Watford Village in her letter. Not having looked at it before Jim went in and found a treasure trove of information on the history of the village. Like all websites there were various headings for the history and to the far right one that said "Other". When he went to it there was a drop down of various topics. One such topic was "Pilgrims 1620".

Having collected history over the years on the Mayflower and the Pilgrims, Jim decided to check it out. As he began reading and scrolling down all seemed very interesting until suddenly his Mayflower Compact came into view. Stunned that it had been placed on a website outside the United States, Jim realized

that he had gone from National to international with his Compact.

He wrote back to Dee sending her copies of both the calligraphy Compact and a scroll compact Jim did on his computer. He also gave her a little history about how it came to be. She replied, "I have to tell you that yours was the best we had ever seen - and hence using it on our website."

In late September, Jim attended the State Board of Assistance meeting held in Irvine. There Ken Whittemore announced during the meeting he had on a new tie he had gotten when he was back in Plymouth for recent meetings. Jim did not pay much attention to the tie until they were having their lunch. Jim Decided to look at it and see what it looked like. After staring at it and feeling he had seen that Compact on the tie before Jim realized they had used the calligraphy from his Compact and placed it on the tie.

He contacted Deb Yingst the Insignia Chair for the General Society and asked who had come up with the tie. She replied, "I was the one with the concept of a Mayflower Compact tie and worked with the tie company on a proof. This is a lovely rendition of what I consider a most important document for our country. I had no idea that the design may actually have come from one of our own GSMD members."

Needless to say, Jim bought a bunch of these ties to sell on his colony's Gift Table. What he was able to purchase he will have to sell at the Orange County Colony Compact Day luncheon on November 19, 2016. At this time he does not know if the General Society Gift Shop

has any more. Members will have to check and see if they have it still in stock. So, that is the story of Jim Blauer's Mayflower Compact and how it went from National to International usage.

Save the Date!







California Society of Mayflower Descendants Members Meeting

June 16 and 17, 2017

Green Dragon Tavern and Museum, Carlsbad, California 6115 Paseo Del Norte, Carlsbad, CA 92011

Friday evening - no host dinner and social - exact location to be announced Saturday morning - CA Board Members Meeting

Saturday Luncheon - All Members Meeting at Green Dragon Tavern
Guest Speaker: Governor General Lea S. Filson

Reservation details will be included in the April edition of the CA Mayflower Quarterly

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WHERE THE WIND EYER SOFT FROM THE BLUE HEAVEN BLOWS, AND THE GROVES ARE OF LAUREL AND MYRTLE AND ROSET
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